



**St. Paul's Advisory Committee Meeting:** The Mayor's St. Paul's Advisory Committee met on December 17<sup>th</sup> at the Attucks Theater. During the meeting, subcommittees provided updates on their work over the past 6 months to the larger committee for feedback and next steps. A subcommittee was tasked with examining several different neighborhood revitalization models and making a recommendation about which model would be the best fit for the creation of a

non-governmental entity to oversee the St. Paul's Transformation. The preliminary recommendation is for the national Purpose Built Communities model for its proven track record of achieving high outcomes for the residents in neighborhoods that were transformed and their ability to recruit national resources needed for a successful transformation. The final recommendation will be made in 2020 and present to City Council. The Inclusionary Housing Subcommittee examined several policies in cities across the U.S. that strive to increase quality affordable housing stock accessible to all residents. The committee provided their findings and recommendations for developing an inclusionary housing plan in Norfolk and will also present to city leadership in early 2020. The next St. Paul's Advisory Committee meeting will be January 17, 2020.

**People First Empowered by USI: Community Partner Meetings:** People First empowered by USI hosted a series of partner meetings Tuesday and Wednesday this week that continued to lay the foundation for a strong service partner network to serve the residents of Tidewater Gardens for the next six years. Partner organizations developed shared metrics, vision, capacity proposed strategies and accountability standards for their work in Tidewater Gardens. The



three-month series of meetings resulted in more connectivity between service providers and a commitment to serving the residents of St. Paul's. The series concluded with next steps ensuring necessary leverage, establishment of MOUs, and commitment to quarterly Service Provider Network meetings in 2020.

**Norfolk Launches Vision Zero:** Each year, Norfolk experiences bike and pedestrian fatalities and serious injuries along city streets. Vision Zero, an international initiative, is a movement working to reduce and eliminate traffic-related fatalities by examining ways to ease traffic flow, increase visibility of pedestrians and bicyclists, and increase overall safety. Vision Zero will help set a policy framework as the Department of Transit develops the city's multi-modal transportation master plan.

**YWCA Recognizes Norfolk's Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Officer:** I'm very proud to share with you Aleea Slappy Wilson was awarded the YWCA's 2020 Women of Distinction award in the category of Business and the Professions. The award recognizes women leaders throughout Hampton Roads who embody the YWCA's mission to eliminate racism and empower women. Aleea is Norfolk's first Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer and will be officially honored in March.



Former Team Norfolk Boxer to Compete in 2020 Olympics: Recreation, Parks and Open Space is proud to announce brothers Kelvin and Keyshawn Davis competed in the 2020 Olympic Trials. The Davis brothers started their boxing career in the Team Norfolk Boxing program. Kelvin Davis finished in third place, one fight away from making the USA Team. He won his first two fights. He lost to the first and second seed boxers in two hard fought bouts. He did an excellent job and represented Team Norfolk well. Keyshawn Davis, Kelvin's younger brother placed first in the Trials. He won his first three bouts by unanimous decision and won the championship by walkover when his opponent did not show up. Keyshawn will join the USA Team in the 2020 Olympics!

Capital Access Program Workshop: The Development Department held the first interactive workshop for the business community about the Grants and Loans available through the City of Norfolk on December 13, 2019, with 39 attendees participating. In this workshop, an overview of each CAP grant/loan, how to apply, the selection process, and how each grant/loan operates post-award, was discussed. Two of CAP's first-round winners "Toast" and "Freshtopia" were invited as guest speakers to give insight on how the Capital Access Program helped their business. Both businesses spoke freely and honestly about the program and encouraged the participating business owners/attendees to apply for CAP during the January round (January 1 - 31, 2020).

Largest Telecommunicator Class to Join Team Norfolk: On Friday, December 13, the Department of Emergency Management had 12 telecommunicators take the oath of office with 10 graduating from the Basic Telecommunicator Academy. This is the largest class the department has had and is the first Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO) certified class. At a time when 9-1-1 dispatch centers are facing critical staffing shortages, this surge of employees is a



step in the right direction and huge boost to an integral part of Norfolk's emergency operations. Congrats and welcome to Team Norfolk!

### **Norfolk Happening Now! Upcoming Events for Your Awareness**

#### **December 20-22** (times vary) A Christmas Carol @Wells Theatre

Virginia Stage's most popular production continues its tradition at the Wells Theatre. Follow Ebenezer Scrooge's journey through time with the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future as he learns about redemption, kindness and compassion. Filled with music and mirth, this timeless play is recommended for all ages and is fun for the whole family to enjoy.

#### December 19 (5:30p-7:00p) Phil Kline's Unsilent Night @Chrysler Museum of Art

Join in Virginia Arts Festival, Downtown Norfolk and The NEON District's 6th annual Unsilent Night, an outdoor boombox parade that brings together art, music, and people during the holidays. All you need to do is show up at The Chrysler Museum of Art with a musical device and some holiday cheer! After we gather, the crowd will walk through the NEON neighborhood, holding aloft boomboxes and speakers playing artist Phil Kline's electronic musical masterpiece. The music creates a layered, beautiful sound that emanates throughout as you walk down city streets twinkling with holiday lights. Meet between 5:00 and 5:30 p.m. in Huber Court at the Chrysler Museum of Art. The museum is open late! The promenade begins at 5:30 p.m., winding through NEON, Ghent and Downtown ending at the Christmas tree at The Plot.

#### December 20 (7:30p - 9:30p) Vienna Boys Choir: Christmas in Vienna @Harrison Opera House

Audiences and critics worldwide have praised the gifted singers of the Vienna Boys Choir (Wiener Sängerknaben / The Vienna Boys' Choir) for their celestial voices, rapturous harmonies, pure tone, irresistible charm, and, above all, a wide-ranging repertoire spanning centuries. Season after season, the sound is unique, with new young voices to discover, and fresh new harmonies to savor. Founded in 1498, this fabled choir served at the pleasure of emperors for centuries, performing for the royal court in Vienna. Today, the Choir includes 100 choristers from 31 nations, all between the ages of ten and fourteen; performing in smaller groups, the boys give 300 performances each year,

across Europe as well as Asia, Australia, and the Americas—and among the most eagerly anticipated are their holiday concerts. Come see them perform in The NEON District at Harrison Opera House! This performance is an official Downtown Norfolk Holidays in the City event

**December 21** (10am-2pm) **Cookies with Santa** @East Ocean View Community and Senior Center Join Norfolk Police Department and the jolly old man himself for a festive time filled with holiday cheer!

#### December – January 17 (10am-9pm) Offsite Gallery @MacArthur Center: Remembering Her Homecoming

As a black female artist working and learning in Richmond, VA, which was once the center of slave trading in the region, Nastassja Swift explores how the ancestral footsteps of black women have contributed to the stories and history of black girlhood in Richmond, VA. Consisting of wearable fiber sculptures, photography & film, "Remembering Her Homecoming" illustrates a moment of remembrance & reflection on the women who have roamed the spaces before us. "Remembering Her Homecoming" By Nastassja Swift, Marlon Turner and Torian Ugworji on view through January 17, 2020.

## Video highlights of the latest happenings in Norfolk!

myNorfolk mobile app how-to

Team Norfolk Boxing Trains Olympians



# SIXTY-DAY TENTATIVE SCHEDULE COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS AND MEETING TOPICS

#### **UPCOMING ITEMS FROM DECEMBER 12 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:**

- CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (Applicant) text amendment to the Norfolk Zoning Ordinance to revise and remove inconsistent definitions and fix clerical errors in Section 3.9.6.B, "Definitions", Section 3.9.7.G, "Definitions", Section 5.7.3, "Definition of Terms", and Section 8.3.2 "Terms Defined"
- THE MONUMENT COMPANIES (Applicant) change of zoning and conditional use permit to allow the construction of a multi-family apartment community with 68 dwelling units at 435 Virginia Ave
- NJOY CHURCH (Applicant) change of zoning to create a single-family zoning lot at 112 E Bayview Blvd
- **DROOFIN, INC. (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow an office/warehouse to offer online sales of wine and beer for off premises consumption at 2550 Ellsmere Ave, Suite E
- 416 APHRODITE, INC (Applicant) conditional use permits to allow a restaurant where seats will not be
  provided for at least 80 percent of patrons to operate with live entertainment and amusement or gaming
  devices until 2am at 200 E. Plume St
- **NEON HOUSE (Applicant)** conditional use permits to allow the operation of a banquet hall with live entertainment and alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption at 819 Granby St
- **CITY OF NORFOLK (Applicant)** vacate a portion of Mayflower Rd to allow for the construction of a new sanitary pump station to provide improved service to the Colonial Place neighborhood
- BRINSHORE DEVELOPMENT (Applicant) Rezoning, conditional use permit and a development certificate
  to allow the construction of a multi-family apartment community development with 120 dwelling units at
  450 Posey Ln

#### January 7, 2020

# WORKSESSION

#### **BRIEFINGS:**

- City Planning Update
- CDBG Overview
- City Council Retreat Discussion
- Council Interests

#### January 14, 2020

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#### January 28, 2020

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#### **BRIEFINGS:**

Run/Walk Process Update

# Attachments